

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HARTLEY *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/177,387

Filed: October 23, 1998

For: **Recombinational Cloning Using  
Nucleic Acids Having  
Recombination Sites**

Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Yucel, I.

Atty. Docket: 0942.2850004/RWE/BJD

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**Supplemental Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

*Via Hand Carry To Exr. Remy Yucel  
Art Unit 1636*

Sir:

Further to Applicants' Preliminary Amendment filed in the above matter on March 8, 2000, and in advance of prosecution of the Continued Prosecution Application filed in the above matter on December 23, 1999, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

***Amendments***

Please amend the application as follows:

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